

JUSTIFICATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE AWARDS IAW FAR 13.106-1
(OVER MICRO-PURCHASE THRESHOLD(\$3K) BUT NOT EXCEEDING THE SAT (\$150K))

IAW FAR13.104, COs must promote competition to the maximum extent practicable to obtain supplies and services from the source whose offer is the most advantageous to the Government, considering the administrative cost of the purchase. When competition is not practicable, IAW FAR13.106-1(b), COs solicit from a single source for purchases not exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold. COs may solicit from one source if the CO determines that the circumstances of the contract action deem only one source reasonably available (e.g., urgency, exclusive licensing agreements, brand-name or industrial mobilization). IAW FAR13.106-3(b)(3), COs are required to include additional statements **explaining the absence of competition** (see 13.106-1 for brand name purchases) if only one source is solicited and the acquisition does not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold (does not apply to an acquisition of utility services available from only one source) or supporting the award decision if other than price-related factors were considered in selecting the supplier. This template when completed can be used to document single source awards IAW FAR13.106-3(b)(3). Note: Statements such as "only known source" or "only source which can meet the required delivery date" are inadequate to support a sole source purchase.

1. PURCHASE REQUEST OR REQUISITION NUMBER:

568-15-2-2231-0168

1A. PROJECT/TASK

NUMBER

NONE

1B. ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

\$120,000

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED AND THE INTENDED USE: The following items are being requested at this time: Blood, blood products and professional services for Black Hills Healthcare System VA at Ft Meade and Hot Springs sites. The Black Hills Health Care System VAMC has an ongoing need to provide optimum blood product and testing for both inpatients and outpatients by a registered and/or licensed entity. Blood has to be delivered within twenty-four hours, seven days a week, 365 days a year, following request.

3. UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS THAT LIMIT AVAILABILITY TO ONLY ONE SOURCE, WITH THE REASON NO OTHER SUPPLIES OR SERVICES CAN BE USED: There is currently only one company that can supply blood, blood products, and professional testing in a timely manner for the Black Hills Healthcare System VA, which includes Ft. Meade and Hot Springs. The current contract expires on 12/31/2014 and there is no replacement contract in place. These services are needed in order to provide blood products and services to the Black Hills VA. These products are vital to keeping the hospital fully functional. Without blood products and services there would be a significant impact to patient care.

4. REASON THAT SUGGESTED SOURCE IS THE ONLY SOURCE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES:

No other organization was found in our area that provides these types of services- blood, blood products, and professional services. This vendor is to be used as needed and is the only local vendor offering the products for same day or next day shipping/ delivery for transfusion purposes.

5. DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND RESULTS OR STATEMENT WHY IT WAS NOT CONDUCTED

A search of local, state, and federal agencies was conducted; with no other sources found that provide this service at a local level for the Black Hills Healthcare System VA, which includes the Ft. Meade and Hot Springs sites.

6. Contracting Officer's Certification: *Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

Signature: 

Date: 12-31-2014

Name: Lance Haman

Title: Contract Officer

Facility: NCO 23